

Nationally Known Civic Engagement Expert,
ED EVERETT joins our community to discuss

**"Community Building:
Our Most Important Infrastructure"**
How Strengthening Community Works and Helps Schools Most

October 27th, 2009, 7:00pm – 8:30pm

Napa Valley Unified School District Auditorium

2425 Jefferson Street, Napa ♦ Spanish translation provided ♦ Free.

Today's complex and difficult problems cannot be solved by schools or government alone, especially during the current economic crisis, with its impact on school and local funding. To have a higher quality of life—higher educational performance, lower crime, and better physical and mental health—we need to build community. Building community develops trust between residents, schools, government, and community groups. It creates an environment in which there is almost no issue that cannot be resolved, leads to better ideas and solutions, encourages people to be responsible for and committed to improving the quality of life in their schools and communities, and makes the job of running schools easier.



Ed Everett, Retired City Manager of Redwood City, California, is celebrated by Redwood City, for leading community building and civic engagement between 1992- 2007. As a result, he also received the prestigious Award for Career Excellence from the International City/County Management Association and a listing by civic engagement author, Peter Block, as one of the nation's "Great People Doing the Work." Passionate about civic engagement and its flip side, community building, Mr. Everett now consults with communities, cities, and schools. He has graciously donated this lecture to Napa Community Network (NCN) to assist in community building to support youth and the Napa Valley Unified School District.

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